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Thurston County: Hawk Acres residents advised to boil water

OLYMPIA — Residents of Hawk Acres, a neighborhood of 131 homes in Hawks Prairie northeast of Lacey, are advised to boil their drinking water after a six-inch pipe ruptured on Monday.

Marvin Road Water Co., which manages the water system, issued the health advisory this morning as a safety precaution. Anytime water pressure is lost, contaminants can find their way into the system. The pipe break does not appear to be weather-related.

About 100 homes are currently without water service. Customers are advised to boil water once service is restored. Homes located on 40th Court have service, but are also advised to boil water. Customers who have questions may call 360-491-1920.

The state Department of Health recommends boiling tap water that will be used for drinking, brushing teeth, dishwashing, preparing food, and making ice. Water should be boiled for one minute and allowed to cool before use.

“We appreciate the efforts of Marvin Road Water Company,” said Denise Clifford, director of the agency’s Office of Drinking Water. “In the midst of all the storm damage, they’ve done a good job of getting the word out to customers so they know what to do to protect their health.”

Once repairs are made, the operator will take water samples to be tested for bacterial contamination. The advisory will remain in effect until tests show the water is safe to drink.

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